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**SUBJECT: DINO LIGHT WILL BE PERFORMED AT JASPER ARTS CENTER**

Jasper Community Arts proudly presents *Dino Light* at the Jasper Arts Center on Monday and Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. This is a school-production only program, engaging students from several area schools.

This amazing production features lighted costumes, music, choreography, and puppets, and will be shown in a dark theater where youngsters immerse themselves in the story. The story begins with Professor Henslow, a famous scientist who has magic powers. We find him in his workshop, putting his latest creation, Darwin the Dinosaur, together piece by piece. With the wave of a magic wand, Darwin is brought to life. Professor Henslow realizes that something is missing and creates a heart for his new friend before sending him off into the world. Along the way, the dinosaur encounters huge birds, fish, and his cousin, a menacing red dinosaur named Brutus. From each encounter, he learns something new about the world around him.

In the end, when Brutus threatens Professor Henslow, Darwin is forced to make a decision that will alter his life forever and, ultimately, lead him to discover the true meaning of love.

The performers who will carry off this production with tremendous skill and grace, will captivate the audience. However, because the onstage characters appear to be mere light drawings, younger patrons may not appreciate what they're seeing until the humans reveal themselves at curtain call.

Created, choreographed and directed by Ian Carney and Corbin Popp, Dino Light is in keeping with the multi-disciplinary technology and dazzling visuals that today's kids relish. It also promotes an appreciation for puppetry and movement. The two performers met while dancing in Twyla Tharp's Broadway show *Movin' Out*. After coming across a product called EL wire, the "lights turned on." EL wire is an electroluminescent wire that is powered by batteries. Unlike black light, this technology glows from within. Together with their wives Eleanor and Whitney, they began to develop puppetry-based creatures that quickly grew personalities. They first gained national fame when the troupe made it to the semi-finals on *America's Got Talent*. Dino Light has been performed across the country for enthusiastic audiences of all ages. Check out their work on YouTube.

Dino Light will only be conducting school performances. Some seats are still available. Interested schools can call Jasper Arts Center at 812-482-3070 to learn more.

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